

KELSEY CREEK SHEEP SHEARING DETAILS

April 25, 2015 11am–4pm

There is no entrance fee to the event. Some activities have a minimal fee as listed below.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park does not have an ATM on site. Cash or checks only - no credit cards

No pets allowed in the barnyard area, on shuttle buses, or left unattended anywhere in the park.

All pets must on a leash at all times.

Overview

The sheep shearing event originated at Kelsey Creek Farm in the early 90's. The shearing process that took place on the farm every spring was turned into a community special event in response to the tremendous interest shown by the public. Each year visitors "flock" to the farm to watch as the sheep are sheared of their year's growth of wool.

The event has continued to grow in popularity since those early days and has become one of the community's best loved family events. People return year after year and come from all around the Puget Sound area to see the sheep get their annual haircuts and to participate in various activities.

This year, we will again have three shearers on hand at the event. Amy Wolfe, a noted shearer and sheep judge, is well-known in the 4-H and sheep community. Al Schweider, a talented local shearer will share the task of shearing with Amy. Veteran shearer, Doug Davies will co-host the event on stage along with Kelsey Creek Farm staff member, Tamar White. Doug will explain the shearing process and share shearing stories from personal experience. Tamar will describe the processes of taking the wool from fleece to sweater and will field questions from the audience.

Free Shuttle & Parking

Free parking available at the parking lots below, and take the shuttle to Kelsey Creek Farm. Shuttle service begins at 10:45am, with the last departure from parking lots to the event at 2:30pm. The last shuttle from Kelsey Creek Farm to the shuttle parking lots leaves at 4:15pm.

Wilburton Park & Ride: 720 – 114th Ave SE / Bannerwood Sports Park: 1630 132nd Ave SE

Farm Fair Activities

Cash

Pony Rides: \$6 per ride – 80 lb. limit on riders

"Farm in a bag": \$3 each (kid's craft)

Honey Sales: Prices vary Kettle Corn: Prices vary Food Sales: Prices vary

Hot dogs, chili dogs, bowl of chili (with meat or vegetarian), baked potato, nachos, chili nachos, bagel and cream cheese, apples, cheese stick, cookie,

hot cocoa, coffee, pop, water, cotton candy, and cup of noodles.

Free Activities

- Shearing demonstrations
- 4-H groups/animal viewing/demonstrations
- Log cabin heritage activities
- Dog herding demonstrations
- Fiber demonstrators and activities
- Tractor pulled wagon rides
- Bee education & displays
- Free children's activities

First aid, lost children and emergency information

- Minor first aid: go to the barn located south of the stage.
- Medical emergency: tell the nearest staff member and they will handle it.
- Lost child: please bring the child to the barn located south of the stage and make sure an adult takes the child. If a parent has lost a child, have them come to the barn at the south end of the stage.
- In the event of a disaster, the park will be evacuated. All people will be asked to leave immediately. All volunteers need to report to the ticket booth for instructions. Volunteers are not to leave the park without checking in with staff.

Notes

- Hand washing station available.
- Recycling bins and trash cans located throughout the park.

Event Produced By

City of Bellevue, NW Vintage Iron Tractor Club, NWRSA Hand Spinners & Fiber Crafts Demonstrators, Brian Ricards Sheep Dog Herding, Kelsey Creek Critters 4-H, Sawdust Hill Alpacas, Chelsey Farms, Eastside Heritage Center, and Boy Scouts